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IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend paragraph [0017] as follows:

[0017] FIGS. 3A - ~~3E~~ 3D illustrate various graphical user interfaces (GUIs) for creating various object messages.

Please amend paragraph [0026] as follows:

[0026] FIGS. 3A - 3D illustrate a GUI approach to generating a message associated with an object or other resource. The administrator in this case is able to create a message and assign it to an object such as a node as in FIG. 3A. Using the graphical interface 300, the administrator simply points and clicks to highlight a field 302 to type the message and associate the message to an object. FIG. 3B illustrates a window 310 for attaching a comment 312 to a reservation. FIG. 3C enables a comment to be added to a user profile 322 and FIG. 3D illustrates a GUI 330 for adding a comment to a job. ~~FIG. 3E illustrates a window 340. A window may be provided to the administrator for modifying the quality of service where the administrator can add comments in a field 342.~~ Any other object may also be able to have a message attached to it thus enabling the use of that message in aggregation and other purposes in resource management. As is shown in the figures, other features associated with each object may also be shown in the GUI for the ease of managing resources. An alternate way is to create the message using configuration files wherein the node and the message are entered. The following is an example of a command line approach to creating and associating a message to a node object, as well as a follow-on command line to check the node:

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$ mschedctl -c.message "Scheduled maintenance completed" -o node: node1  
INFO: message added
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$ checknode node1  
node node1
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State:	Idle
Configured Resources:	PROCS: 1 MEM: 241M SWAP: 863M DISK: 1M
Utilized Resources:	SWAP: 131M
Dedicated Resources:	[None]
Opsys:	Linux-2.4.21-r.EI
Speed	1.00 CPU Load: 1.100
Network:	DEFAULT

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Features: [NONE]
Classes: [batch 1:1]
Total Time: 17:32:37

Reservations:

NOTE: no reservations on node
ALERT: node is in state Idle but load is high (1.100)
NOTE: node message "scheduled maintenance completed"